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Dear Eric:

Thank you for your kind comments about Chits, Chiselers, and Funny Money. I am, in many ways, relieved to have the book in print.

I am enclosing two of our tokens that we issued.

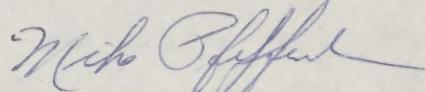
The comprehensive Missouri book is, I am sure, a number of years off. However, in addition to yourself, Ron Horstmann, and Bruce Smith, there are others involved in parts of that basic research. I have collected data for over ten years when the opportunity and finances allowed. Additionally, collections and information have been gathered by Dr. Vacca, Chuck Littlefield, and Marvin Burnett. There are at least six active bidders for Missouri tokens. Conceivably, there are at least four other Missouri collectors and numerous others whose collections contain odds and ends of Missouri material. I have no idea how many paper currency collectors exist. Larry Marsh, of course, would have to be consulted in this matter.

If there were some kind of funding for secretarial work, this project could probably be completed in slightly over a year. However, inasmuch as this depends on individual pocketbooks and spare time, it will probably take about five to ten years.

By the way, how is your museum coming along?

Another matter that you might be interested in is the rapid growth of the Missouri Numismatic Society's library. We now own almost all of the Quartermann publications. I believe that it is in the stage of viability that we discussed some time ago.

Sincerely yours,

  
Mike Pfefferkorn